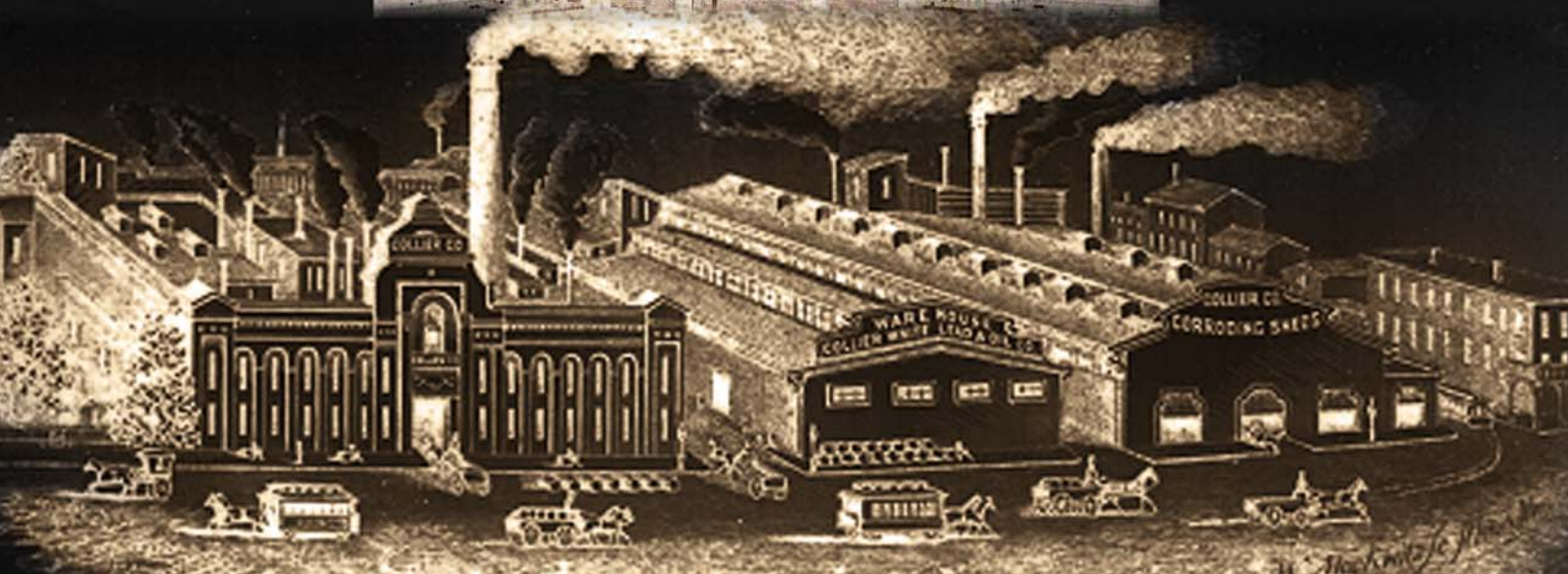


Missouri Department
of Natural Resources



VCP Voluntary Cleanup Program





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Mission Statement

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) provides property buyers, sellers, developers, bankers, development agencies, local government and other voluntary parties with technical assistance and oversight for the investigation and cleanup of contaminated property to bring it back into productive use. The VCP is a fee-for-service program that provides a Certification of Completion when the property meets cleanup standards.

Cover photo: Thomas Eagleton Federal Courthouse, St. Louis, on the site of the former Collier White Lead plant. Bottom photo: State Historical Society of Missouri, Columbia.

Why Voluntary Cleanup?

✓ Minimized Liability

Liability is minimized to facilitate real estate transactions and promote redevelopment of contaminated sites.

✓ Eligibility

Eligibility is open to any site with real or perceived contamination that is not covered by other Department of Natural Resources' programs and does not warrant enforcement action.

✓ Non-Enforcement

It's a non-enforcement program designed to help property owners and to facilitate redevelopment of formerly used properties.

✓ Reasonable Costs

The department's Voluntary Cleanup Program's (VCP) oversight costs range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for most sites. The voluntary party pays for investigation and cleanup.

✓ Choice of Options

The Voluntary Cleanup Program participant has substantial freedom in all aspects of the cleanup from choice of cleanup technologies to the speed of the project.

✓ Fast Completion

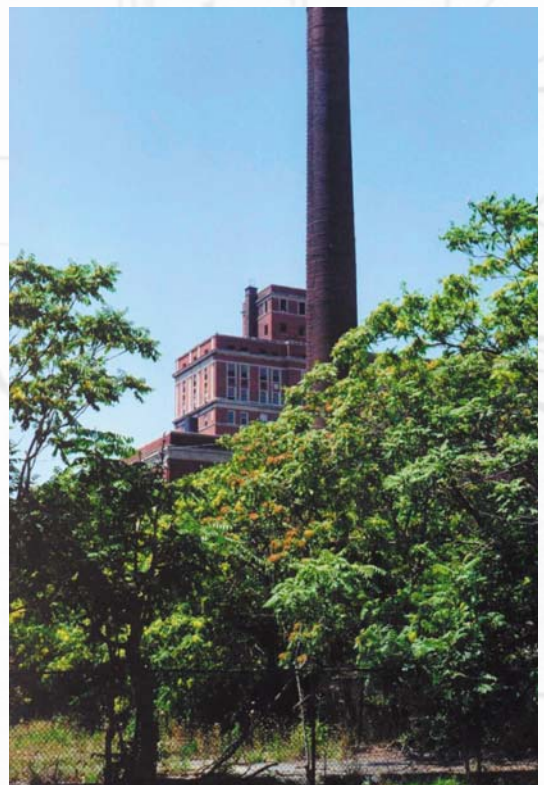
The average length of time between the receipt of an application and the issuance of the Certification of Completion by the VCP is about 12 months. Some projects have been completed in as little as three months. Seventy-five percent of sites take less than 12 months from the date of application to receipt of their Certification of Completion.

✓ Written Assurance

Property owners, buyers and lenders can obtain written assurance from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources that the property has been cleaned up to standards that are acceptable now and in the foreseeable future to both the department and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

(Below) Redevelopment of environmentally impaired properties can be accomplished using the program.

(Bottom) St. Louis City Hospital brownfield redevelopment site.



Brownfields Redevelopment Program

The Missouri Brownfield Redevelopment Program, administered by the Missouri Department of Economic Development and Missouri Department of Natural Resources, provides incentives for the redevelopment and revitalization of formerly used industrial properties.

✓ Federal Brownfield Pilots

Previous EPA Brownfield Project grants of up to \$200,000 were awarded for Missouri projects in St. Louis, Kansas City, Wellston and Bonne Terre.

✓ State Tax Incentives

The program offers a variety of tax incentives, loans and grants to pay for all or part of the cleanup costs based on the new economic benefit of the new business to the state.

(Right) New construction at Martin Luther King Business Park, St. Louis.

(Below) Westside Business Park on the old Kansas City Terminal Railway site, West Bottoms, Kansas City.

✓ Assistance

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources provides oversight for the cleanup of all Brownfield sites in Missouri, whether state or federally funded.

(Below) Old Wagner Electric plant, Wellston, brownfield redevelopment site.



"I would absolutely recommend this program to someone else. In fact, we plan to use the program again for another site in St. Louis."

- Mike Gokie
McCormick-Baron

"The VCP was excellent, and I would recommend property owners and prospective land buyers take advantage of it."

- Leonard Van Berkel, Jr.
Lenco Contracting Inc.

"The VCP is very good and very helpful. It gives business owners the opportunity to try to solve the problem without the fear of being penalized. I would definitely recommend this program to others,"

- John Mueller,
Plant Manager, Brake
Rebuilders, Inc.

"The program was very effective. Overall, the project went as smooth as it could possibly go."

- Ed Cooney Ph.D.,
E. Cooney Associates,
Inc.



Eligibility

The eligibility of each site is carefully evaluated.

Missouri's VCP can oversee cleanup of many types of sites that are not addressed under other state or federal programs. Sites already addressed under other programs may not be eligible for the department's Voluntary Cleanup Program. Eligible sites may include the following:

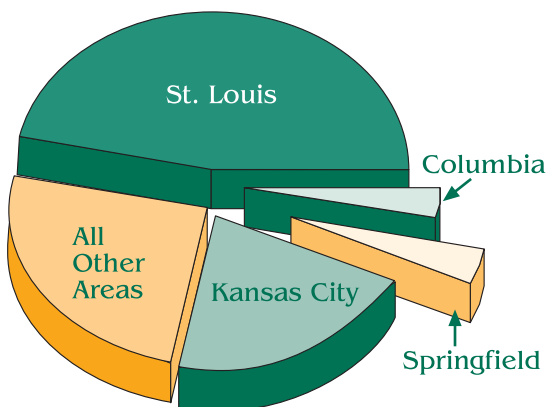
- ✓ Petroleum contaminants from unregulated tanks and sources
- ✓ Some former hazardous waste or solid waste disposal sites
- ✓ Former waste disposal ponds and lagoons
- ✓ Low-level radioactive waste sites
- ✓ Groundwater contamination
- ✓ Contamination from adjacent properties
- ✓ Abandoned industrial property (Brownfields)

Examples of contaminants addressed in the department's Voluntary Cleanup Program:

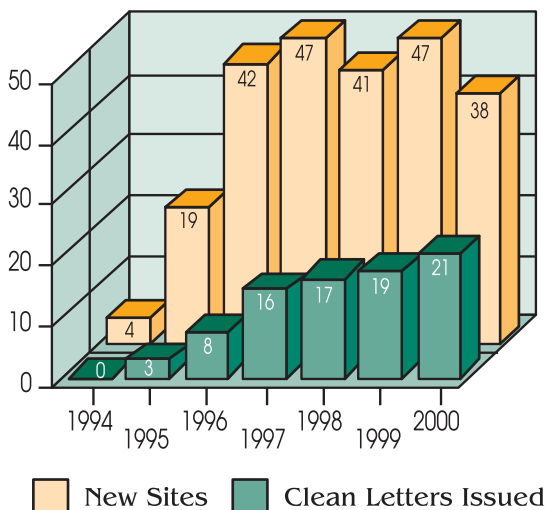
- ✓ Solvents
- ✓ Metals
- ✓ Petroleum
- ✓ Pesticides
- ✓ PCBs
- ✓ Lead Paint
- ✓ Asbestos

Showing Results

While the major metropolitan areas of St. Louis and Kansas City claim the most voluntary cleanup sites, a significant number of sites are spread across the state in smaller towns and rural areas:



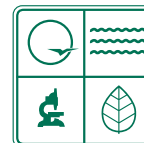
The number of new and completed sites since the program's inception:



 New Sites
  Clean Letters Issued



New construction on a formerly contaminated site.



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Yes, I Want Further Information

For more information contact the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Voluntary Cleanup Program at 1-800-361-4827 or (573) 751-3176 or mail your request to the address below.

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